



Clean Water And Natural Lands Advisory Commission

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

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Meeting Minutes
Friday, August 13, 2021
9:00 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER – Chairperson Sherry Broder called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

Commissioners Present – Chair Sherry Broder, Keli’iahonui Kotubetey, Elliott “Kai” Raymond Markell, William Kamana’olana Mills, Jason Kekahi “Kahi” Pacarro, Jamie Tanimoto, William Reese Liggett (Arrived at 9:05 a.m.)

Staff Resources Personnel Present

Dawn Spurlin, Deputy Corporation Counsel
Tammy Namihira, Budget and Fiscal Services (BFS)

Guests

Laura Thielen, Department of Parks and Recreation
Dori Amano Mitsui, Department of Parks and Recreation
Catherine Taschner, Department of Land Management
Barrett Francis, Department of Land Management
Lea Hong, Trust for Public Lands
Denisse Gee

APPROVAL OF THE JULY 9, 2021 MEETING MINUTES

Correction on Page 2, “Chair Broder brought up the Pearl Harbor project in that it did need environmental mitigation and stated that the City will be using the condemnation process and Federal monies to acquire.” Should be “Federal monies to mitigate.” The minutes of the July 9, 2021, as amended were approved, 7-0 (AYE: Broder, Kotubetey, Liggett, Markell, Mills, Pacarro, Tanimoto); NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None).

DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND FISCAL PROVIDED AN UPDATE ON NEW APPLICATIONS AND PARADISE PARK AND CONTEMPORARY MUSEUM SITES

Ms. Namihira updated the Commission that there have been no new applications and no feedback from the Administration on the Commission’s initiative for looking into purchasing the Paradise Park and Contemporary Museum sites. Chair Broder suggested that maybe Director Thielen may have some insight.

SENTINEL LANDSCAPE DESIGNATION PRESENTATION BY THE TRUST FOR PUBLIC LAND

Lea Hong from TPL briefly introduced herself and shared what the Sentinel Landscape Designation Proposal for

Hawai'i is about.

Ms. Hong explained how the Department of Defense's Readiness Environmental Protection Integration (REPI) or buffer program was started in early 2000's by the military because they realized that because of community growth and urban sprawl over time, communities got closer to many military training installations which were built during World War II in remote areas. Noise, dust and traffic from military training exercises and activities resulted in a lot of negative interactions between the community and the military. They partnered with other conservation organizations to encourage compatible uses around military installations such as watershed protection, agriculture and conservation. In 2005, TPL partnered with the military to implement the program for Oahu and over time this has helped conserve a lot of land. This program is not to acquire land for the military, it is to add money to existing conservation efforts.

Ms. Hong shared a map of the various completed projects through this program by the Army and Navy using these funds.

Ms. Hong explained that funds could be used for such things as buffering of the existing installations and can also be used for habitat mitigation of areas such as Moanalua valley, where even though there are no neighboring installations, there are a lot of 'elepaio in the area and the military is required to monitor a number of 'elepaio nests, about a third of which is located in Moanalua Valley.

The Sentinel Landscapes Partnership is a coalition of federal agencies, state and local governments and non-governmental organizations that work with private landowners to advance sustainable land management practices around military installations and ranges. Lead federal agencies are the Department of Defense through its REPI program, Department of Agriculture (U.S. Forest Services, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Farm Service Agency) and Department of the Interior (U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, National Park Service). These agencies have agreed that if they call a designated area as a Sentinel Landscape, they would prioritize federal funding through all existing conservation and climate resiliency programs for any project within the geographic area. This is not additional regulations or land use designation, it is an agreement between the 3 agencies to prioritize federal funding through existing conservation and climate resiliency programs. Partnership's mission is to support the military's mission and to conserve natural resources and increase climate change resiliency.

7 locations designated throughout the nation with the last coming in 2018. It is not an annual designation and it's a good opportunity for Hawaii to increase the funding for conservation and other management.

NRCS Agricultural Conservation Easements – Program provides compensation to landowners who are willing to permanently dedicate their land for agricultural or ranching uses.

- Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) has federal funding for agricultural conservation easement purchases.
- This program is a 1:1 match requirement (NRCS will fund 50% of appraised conservation easement value).
- REPI funding can be used for this.
- Hawaiian Island Land Trust (HILT) has a 5 year programmatic agreement with the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) which fast tracks projects.
- Leverage federal funds that Hawaii has not regularly been able to tap into.

Through the work of the partnerships, Congress passed the Great American Outdoors Act (GAOA) in the summer of 2020, fully funding the Land and Water Conservation Fund at \$900M annually. This funding caused other funding to be doubled and there is greater opportunity to direct more funding to Hawaii for conservation, management and resiliency issues.

Ms. Hong shared draft map of Sentinel Landscape of Oahu showing designation of almost the entire island and projects funded by REPI and combined buffer priorities. Also proposing designations for Hawaii Island and Kauai.

Ms. Hong is hoping that the Commission will provide a letter of support.

Chair Broder asked about the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL) and if this is something they are

interested in and if a presentation was made to them?

Ms. Hong stated that she made a presentation to the Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) and it is making its way through their office. DHHL would be potentially eligible since the whole island is being proposed. Certain management activities of their lands could qualify since it overlaps with the federal agencies' management activities. They could qualify for funding such as wildfire mitigation, natural resource management to restore forests and prevent erosion and increase healthy watersheds. Great idea and she will reach out to William Aila.

Chair Broder asked if the money comes from military budget.

Ms. Hong responded yes and stated that she can speculate that some may have issues of taking money from the US military. The REPI program is one of the few conservation programs that was growing over time and is now up to \$125-\$150M/year

Chair Broder stated that Hawaii deserves to get money for mitigation from the military since we have our fair share of reservations but doesn't want to see the Commission take a step that may cause ripples. She asked Ms. Hong when is the deadline.

Ms. Hong replied that at the end of the month they want to submit the full proposal and hoping to get a letter of support.

Ms. Hong also stated to be clear, the letter of support for the REPI program and partnership is not support of the military and understands that there are mixed feelings and attitudes about the military in Hawaii. However it is a program that adds to other conservation and resiliency programs that has a positive effects.

Commissioner Pacarro asked Ms. Hong if there has been any pushback on this and where is it coming from? Why wouldn't the Commission want to support this?

Ms. Hong replied that people need to understand that the money from the military would come with restrictions like other conservation programs. So with the REPI program, because they are concerned with buffering the installations and encouraging the compatible use, there would be restrictions on development and zoning changes of the land if monies were used for purchase.

Chair Broder asked what was the reaction at OHA? Why didn't they take immediate action?

Ms. Hong replied that the land division contact that she worked with was supportive but wanted to clear it through the office as well. She is hoping to have a meeting with them soon. She did not meet with the board and is only dealing with the staff, which is okay if they don't get a letter of support from them.

Commissioner Kotubetey thanked Ms. Hong for the presentation. Shared that he had an initial concern on use of the REPI funds for military interest but after the presentation it was more clear on using funds for conservation purposes and is more in line with what our purpose is.

Ms. Hong concurred that the military sees it as encouraging the use of the funds for compatible uses for conservation or agricultural.

Commissioner Kotubetey thanked her.

Chair Broder asked if there are any other comments.

Commissioner Liggett stated that it seems like a win win to him.

Commissioner Tanimoto commented that through some of her job opportunities, she's had the opportunity to hear that the federal agencies are doing such as the Army Garrison and Marine Corps base and they have some great projects going like wetland restoration, lots of forest conservation and invasive species removal. These are federally funded positions under the Department of Defense (DOD) so she can see a lot of great things happening with the DOD to try to mitigate the effects that they are causing. She is in general support as this sounds like a

general tool in our toolbelt to get conservation in Hawaii and have really great things happen on the ground and supportive of us writing a letter of support to TPL.

Chair Broder asked if anyone else had any comments.

Commissioner Mills stated that he is in full support

Chair Broder asked if Director Thielen had any comments and if it sounds like a good idea.

Director Thielen commented that she is not familiar with TPL's proposal but is familiar with the funds during her time at the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) and knows that funds were used for both acquiring land for conservation as well as doing the type of mitigation work that TPL was speaking about.

Director Thielen stated that she knows sometimes people have concerns about money that comes from the military, and a number of folks can also be pragmatic and saying it's better to expend on conserving land and mitigating the areas than on some other purposes that it can be put to. In general, she doesn't know the details of what is being proposed in this proposal.

Chair Broder thanked Director Thielen and asked if Director Francis from Department of Land Management had any comments

Mr. Francis thanked Chair Broder and clarified that he is the project manager and stated that Deputy Director Taschner was attending as well.

Mr. Francis directed a question to either Director Thielen or Ms. Hong if they are aware of what type of restrictions is placed on the land. Is it in a form of their own conservation easement or a declaration of some kind? He stated that he knows it may be a project by project basis but wondered how it fits with what this Commission would be doing if both CWNL funds and federal funds were to be used on the same land.

Ms. Hong replied that it would depend. The military is never simple and each service is slightly different, The Army normally requires a deed restriction basically saying no incompatible development, which is usually consistent with what the CWNL fund is trying to accomplish. CWNL and REPI funds were both used in a couple of different projects like Galbraith for example. The Navy does require something like a conservation easement that it calls a restrictive use easement. So sometimes you have to dovetail and make sure everyone is on the same page with the different restrictions but it is pretty much the same again preventing the development which is consistent with the purposes of this fund and this Commission.

Chair Broder asked if any other questions or comments.

Chair Broder commented that obviously the Commission can't speak as a county Commission for the State of Hawaii or DHHL, all of whom have substantial land holdings. How does this work if the Commission were to support this?

Ms. Hong replied that they can support either as a Commission or as individuals. The Mayor and City Council Chair Waters have already written letters of support so it would be up to the Commission if want to be as individual Commissioners or as a Commission as a whole.

Chair Broder commented that she heard from Corporation Counsel that the agenda listed this as only a presentation therefore cannot take action right now so Commission could either do individual letters or schedule a very brief meeting for next week Friday and have the agenda posted today. Commission could take a vote if there is interest in supporting this and since the Mayor and Council Chair are in support then that's a good indication. Chair Broder asked Commissioners of their thoughts and if they want to actually send a letter and if so would need to call an emergency meeting for next week or would they prefer to write their own individual letters

Commissioner Liggett commented to hold a special meeting and approve it as a Commission.

Chair Broder asked if anyone objected to that.

Ms. Namihira commented that next Friday is a State holiday.

Chair Broder asked if meeting could be held on the following Monday.

Ms. Namihira replied yes.

Chair Broder stated to hold an emergency meeting on Monday, August 23rd and if would be a very brief 5 minute meeting to vote to support this. Also commented that it would be helpful to get letters from the Mayor and Council Chair. Requested for Ms. Namihira to draft the letter for approval.

Ms. Hong replied that she would send the letters and asked who to send it to.

Ms. Namihira responded that she would email Ms. Hong and she could reply to the email with the letters.

Chair Broder noted that we could copy and paste from the 2 letters. Then asked if there were any comments, questions or concerns.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION FOR PROPOSED DRAFT LANGUAGE TO AMEND REVISED CHARTER OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU 1973 (2017 EDITION)

Ms. Namihira shared screen of the proposed amendment.

Chair Broder shared that she had a couple of discussions with director Thielen about what we could do for an amendment as the Commission did want feedback from the administration and council and that the resolution be circulated. One of the questions was that if this is really good enough for what we want to do? Just adding these provisions may not be sufficient. The Commissioners share the frustration in not being able to do more and to provide more lands for the people of the City and County of Honolulu to enjoy and to protect. She thinks Director Thielen has some really good ideas and asked her to share her thoughts.

Director Thielen thanked the Chair and Commission members for opening this discussion about expanding the purpose of the funds and thanked Corporation Counsel for putting this draft to help focus our discussion. Gave her background as starting in the private sector and non-profits but spent the last 16 plus years mostly at the state level around land matters. When she was at DLNR, they acquired lands for conservation purposes as well as recreation like the trails and camping and state parks. But lot of it was with conservation and cultural sites. The development of the Legacy Land fund as well as the funds on the county level has been such a tremendous boon for our state as land is so expensive and it's provided funds that organizations like TPL have worked to be able to match with other funding sources to be able to acquire these areas.

Director Thielen continued that working in government has also been a challenge as we have built up an inventory of lands and there has not been a commensurate increase in the budget for these agencies that are tasked in managing of these lands. In the case of the City, for recreational purposes, the development of lands so that it can be utilized for recreational purposes. So there is a lot of undeveloped land on Oahu in the DPR inventory that is basically fallow and we have a growing population that is clamoring for recreational spaces.

Director Thielen shared some examples – if you like to camp and go to our website to get a camp site, they are sold out in minutes of when they open up. There is fierce competition for permits for use the use of playing fields. We need to open up more campsites and playing fields. Also there are demands for court activities such as pickle ball but with aging infrastructure, it's very difficult. Losing backstops because of corrosion and need to be taken down at a pace that far exceeds the ability to replace them. The needs are huge.

When we are able to acquire new lands for recreational opportunities and wonder why DPR staff is not clamoring over projects like the Pearl Harbor Bike Path that they need more recreational spaces, it is because it is quite overwhelming in the staff's perspective. They would need to figure out what projects would need to be cut or put by the wayside because of environmental mitigation that would be needed for the area. Many times within the agency, the reaction understandably is that they cannot manage more because they can barely manage what they are doing now. I would love to change that narrative. One of the reasons she applied for this position because she feels that we do need more recreational spaces on Oahu and wants to find ways to make it happen.

Spoke with Mayor and Managing Director and they are happy that the Commission has opened this up for discussion.

Director Thielen noted that she understands the perspective of the people who worked hard to get these funds for the acquisition of lands or for conservation easements and not wanting to divert into this "black hole" for deferred maintenance across the board. Sees the draft as expanding the purpose of funds just for the lands acquired with the fund, not for anything else.

Director Thielen thanked Ms. Hong of TPL for bringing to her attention that the Counties of Kauai and Hawaii Island have amended their funds similar to the CWNL. The Kauai amendment is similar to what Corporation Counsel has drafted. Hawaii Island took a slightly different path and allocated 75% of the monies in the fund for preservation/acquisition and 25% for maintenance of the lands acquired and approval is needed.

Director Thielen noted that the administration is open for discussion about the best way to move forward and thinks there are a variety of ways that it could be done and that the administration would like to be a part of the discussion and work with the Commission. Would be worthwhile to look at expanding of use of funds being limited for lands acquired for public use. She understands that funds are also used for acquisition of lands for conservation easements which may not include public access and it's fair to say that if we are going to expand for use for environmental due diligence and mitigation or infrastructure needed that we are focusing on utilizing the money for the public benefit and access of the areas.

Another thing is that is important to understand how the City expends funds and how it moves projects out when talking about public areas or public lands. So it should be clearly stated that the funds can be used for both the capital and non-capital improvements that are needed because those functions are done by different agencies within the city with different processes.

Example of an environmental mitigation may require a study so that would not be considered a capital improvement so that would come from one process in the city. Another example is the Pearl Harbor bike path or Kakaako Waterfront where a cap would be put on the land that was an old landfill so that it can be safe for recreational purposes. This would be more like a capital improvement.

Director Thielen went on to explain about using the specific language in the amendment to be sure that it can accomplish the goals that we're all thinking of. She stated that she is available for questions.

Chair Broder thanked Director Thielen and asked if there were any questions.

Commissioner Liggett commented that we need to be thinking about how to bring clean water, natural land to our population, and sometimes the population doesn't go out in the hills. Sometimes they want something in their neighborhood or near a train station, like Peal City. So I think that this hasn't been a particular focus of clean water and natural land in the past, but as we found, we don't have a surplus of projects right now and when we see one that is close to the population it needs work and maintenance. I think it's an excellent use of the money. Thank you.

Chair Broder asked if any other comments or concerns.

Commissioner Tanimoto thanked Director Thielen for her valuable information and asked if in her opinion, the language in the draft resolution was enough to cover cost for things like planning studies and if it's possible that environmental mitigation might be broad enough that it includes the planning for the mitigation. Would want to make sure that the funds could be used by City agencies for that, for planning and the environmental mitigation.

Director Thielen commented that if the Commission agrees for the certain purposes, her thoughts are that it would be worthwhile to take some time to go back over the language and to come back in the next meeting or so to be sure. In reviewing the proposed amendment, everyone has the Pearl Harbor bikepath in mind because that's one of the more recent things that was supported. But her thoughts are that we're going to be having a lot of coastal erosion along the North Shore and will be losing beach parks in certain areas. DOT Highways is going to be looking at realigning highways inland in the future so that will mean that there may be opportunities to be taking over some lands, maybe that were former highway areas or lands that, perhaps the City ends up taking over

because people have to retreat from where they are. So that it could be utilized for maybe in 10- 20 years as beach park access or something like that.

Director Thielen continued that we want to be thinking about, not just what's in front of us today but what's going to be in front of this island over the next 40 years because there's going to be some dramatic changes along our coastlines and we'd want to be poised to be able to take advantage of those things where it's not just a loss. It's also a gain of recreational access. She noted that on one of the islands, it actually specifically includes in it to improve public, pedestrian access to coastal areas so it's worthwhile for the administration to maybe be working with the Commission if the Commission wants to appoint some of the Commissioners to be taking lead on a discussion as we have groups like TPL and others that were very active in getting this fund supported and created in the first place. The Department of Land Management and the Administration to kind of think through what is the language so that we get it right and then bring it back for a vote.

Chair Broder asked if there are any comments or concerns and wanted feedback from the Commissioners.

Ms. Hong shared screen on the Community Guide to Hawaii Land Conservation and noted on Page 32 of the guidebook, there's a summary of all of the county funds including a summary of the CWNL program. Maui county sets aside 1 percent of the fund can be used to acquire land and the fund can also be used for safety and security improvements on land acquired with the fund.

The county of Hawaii has the 2% fund and then there's a separate point, 25 or a quarter percent fund separate from the 2% fund for maintenance and preservation to fund management, stewardship and activities on acquired with the fund, and what's kind of interesting about that program is that the Commission actually has a whole application process for these funds and it's usually community groups who are partnering with parks and rec who are doing stewardship activities on the land. So, it's an interesting way to sort of galvanize more volunteerism and civic engagement. They've been very careful, though, about limiting it to lands acquired with the fund and also limiting the kinds of improvements that can be made. They want these lands to sort of stay in a more natural state so they've been very careful about allowing a lot of expenditure on, like, big infrastructure improvements or anything like that.

The county of Kauai has a half a percent open space fund and some of that money can be used to improve pedestrian coastal access for easements and things like that.

Ms. Hong continued that she just wanted to give an overview of the different county programs, and how they've approached it as most of them have been very careful, or all of them have been pretty careful about trying to limit it to lands acquired with the fund. She also cautioned the Commission regarding the current language that is being proposed. Commissioner Tanimoto had pointed out that last provision and under that last provision, for example Kahuku golf course was acquired with CWNL funds so under that provision, basically the staffing and operations at the Kahuku golf course could be paid for out of this fund. Not that that's a bad use but just wanted to make aware that those are the kinds of things that the fund could be used for.

Ms. Hong mentioned that she respects Director Thielen and the mission of the parks and rec department as TPL has an annual park score where it evaluates the top 100 most populated cities in the nation on park spending and park amenities and things of that nature and unfortunately Honolulu ranks well on a lot of things like services and amenities for kupuna and seniors but it really ranks incredibly low, on per per capita spending. So it's a systematic problem that the parks and recreation department is not getting enough funding to do what it is supposed to do and to support its mission.

Ms. Hong continued that she's not sure if cannibalizing this fund is a good idea in that there may be just one project that could take out all of the fund since land in Hawaii is so expensive. Used Turtle Bay as an example, which was a \$45 Million dollar project. Stated that she would be happy to provide the guide to anyone that wants it.

Chair Broder thanked Ms. Hong and requested to send everyone a link to the guide. Asked if any other comments or concerns by the Commissioners or Director Thielen.

Director Thielen commented that if the Commission is open to working on language changes that she would love

to work with the Commission, Corporation Counsel and others as she thinks that there are a lot of very creative ideas that can be looked at that doesn't go astray from the intent of the fund, but allows us to see the land acquired actually to be utilized for the public purposes and that are acquired for recreational purposes. Loves the idea of taking a look at other counties about utilizing this to support community based projects. Present and galvanize a lot more people to get involved and that has a ripple effect because one of the biggest challenges is the abuse of areas. The more we get community ownership of areas and community development up the areas, and what they want to see, then the more the community into protecting those areas, which is really beneficial.

Director Thielen added that is worthwhile for discussion is to explore more community based projects and look at the equity around the island. Although there has been a huge demographic shift in the last 25 years, little investment has gone to the leeward side of the island. Examples of all pools have been built in east or near west Honolulu and a couple on the windward side but none on the leeward side, nor have any gyms been built in Kapolei and only one in Ewa. Manoa summer fun program is huge because that's where the facilities are versus the leeward coast where their summer fun programs are sitting outdoors at the beach park with very limited opportunities and no pools for kids to learn how to swim.

Director Thielen agreed with Ms. Hong that it should be tailored because there is so much need but the idea of how the other islands have done it by having a set percentage is good. She suggested appointing a permitted interaction group to have more discussions to bring back to the whole Commission and she would welcome the opportunity to be involved.

Chair Broder thanked Director Thielen and asked if any other Commissioner has anything that they'd like to add.

Chair Broder stated that the Commission would like to see more things done that the public has access to and is shocked by Director Thielen's comments that there's no public swimming pools for the kids on the leeward coast and this is a new concept in which equity on our island for the different residential areas should be addressed.

Chair Broder continued that the Commission has a very strong sense of frustration that they haven't been able to do more so that's why they started taking a look at what is available and what the money can be used for. Also thought the idea of setting up as a subcommittee is good because there are a lot of issues and the Commission is not ready to make any kind of decision based on what is currently before them.

Chair Broder pointed out that Corporation Counsel has said that since Commission is governed by Sunshine law, if we set up a permitted subcommittee, that committee would have to have 3 meetings. The 1st meeting would be to identify the scope. 2nd meeting would be to present their recommendations to the Commission and then the 3rd meeting would be that the Commission would act on the recommendation, which she thought is definitely doable.

Deputy Corporation Counsel Spurlin commented that the 1st meeting would be like today's meeting because it is on the agenda as discussion and action. If the Commission wanted to appoint a permitted interaction group, they could today, but they would just have to define what the scope of the work is, what the Commission wants the committee to consider and evaluate and then the 2nd meeting would be another Commission meeting where the group would come and make their presentation. The 3rd meeting, the Commission would act on the recommendations of the permitted interaction group or the PIG. The subcommittee can have only up to 3 people.

Chair Broder wanted clarification that it would be 3 Commissioners and could meet with Directors, Ms. Hong and other people

Deputy Corporation Counsel Spurlin replied that she is correct.

Chair Broder asked if all of those meetings of the permitted interaction group be subject to Sunshine law.

Deputy Corporation Counsel Spurlin replied that she would need to check

Chair Broder asked for a motion to establish a permitted interaction group and the scope of the group would be to study the language in the current charter and to propose more additional language that would help accomplish the goal of making more lands available to the people of City and County of Honolulu and to also consider using

some of these funds for capital and non-capital improvements. So that's very broad but not to say that we wouldn't make it very finely tailored to what some of the other counties are doing, but just to make it broad enough so that we could really consider everything.

Chair Broder asked for someone to make a motion.

Commissioner Tanimoto made a motion to create a permitted interaction group with the purpose that Chair Broder has stated.

Commission Mills seconded the motion.

Chair Broder asked if any discussion and vote.

Motion was passed unanimously.

Chair Broder stated that there can now be up to 3 Commissioners on the permitted interaction group and if there are any volunteers

Commissioners Liggett and Tanimoto volunteered to be part of the group. Chair Broder also volunteered since no one else wanted to.

Chair Broder thanked Ms. Hong and Director Thielen for sharing their time with the Commission.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

Chair Broder explained that she put this on the agenda since the Commission has two new Commissioners – Commissioners Kotubetey and Tanimoto, she felt that in all fairness that they should be involved in the selection of the Chair and since Commissioner Caldarone isn't a Commissioner anymore a new Vice Chair is needed.

Chair Broder stated that she is still happy to continue to serve as Chair as it is a great honor and privilege but wanted to open it up if anyone else want to serve as Chair.

Commissioner Mills made a motion to nominate Sherry Broder as Chair, Commissioner Markel seconded.

Commissioner Tanimoto called for the vote for Chair of the Commission. 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, no objections.

Chair Broder thanked the Commission and is very honored.

Chair Broder asked for nominations for Vice Chair.

Commissioner Pacarro volunteered to be Vice Chair as he enjoyed standing in the one time that he did so.

Chair Broder called for the vote, which passed unanimously. None opposed.

Commissioner Pacarro thanked the Commission.

Deputy Corporation Counsel Spurlin asked if there was any public testimony sine there were a lot of people on the meeting.

Ms. Namihira stated that there was none.

Chair Broder confirmed that there was no public testimony and asked if anyone wanted to bring up anything. Commented that it was a great meeting and hopes that the Commission will be able to make more active use of the funds.

NO PUBLIC TESTIMONY.

ADJOURNMENT – The meeting was adjourned at 10:12 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tammy Namihira

APPROVED:

Chair Sherry P. Broder

Date

The minutes of the Commission Meeting on
August 13, 2021 were approved at the
September 10, 2021 Commission Meeting.

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Comment</u>
Sherry P. Broder	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Keli'i Kotubetey	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
William Reese Liggett	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
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